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## **Harford County HVACR Mechanical Board Minutes Open Session September 14, 2022**

The Harford County HVACR Mechanical Board met in the first-floor conference room, Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits, at 220 South Main Street on Wednesday, September 14, 2022. The following members were present:

## **Members:**

Richard Foard, Board President Craig Robey, Board Member Roger Welsh, Board Member Terry Artman, Board Member Kenny Blevins, Board Member (virtually attended) Scott Schott, Chief, Plumbing Services, Harford County Heather McHugh, Mechanical Board Secretary & Administrative Specialist, Harford County

The meeting opened at 9:30 a.m. The Mechanical Board minutes recorded on August 10, 2022, were reviewed and approved.

## **Old Business:**

Old Business was not discussed

## **New Business:**

- The Board discussed using PVC Foam Core versus Schedule 40 for flue piping in boilers and furnaces.
- The Board discussed House Bill 1052 Public Safety Natural Gas and Liquefied Propane Piping Systems - Construction Requirements. The House bill will become effective October 1, 2022. The bill includes prohibitions for the installation of non-arc-resistant corrugated stainless-steel tubing (CSST).

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- Mr. Schott asked the Board to review the 2023 ICC Mechanical Codes when the code books are available.
- The Board discussed future updates in the mechanical industry, the low supply of mechanical equipment and changes in the type of refrigerants used in new equipment.
- Ms. McHugh updated the Board on Harford County's next limited electrical license test, Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 220 S. Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014. Test registrations are as follows:
  - Limited HVAC (Commercial and Residential) 2
  - Limited HVAC (Residential Service and Replacement) 9
  - Limited Journeyperson (Commercial and Residential) 2
- Mr. Schott mentioned an increase in rescheduled inspections onsite due to no attic access for the inspectors. Harford County conveniently accepts picture inspections from contractors.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am.

Transcribed by and dated:

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Heather McHugh

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Heather McHugh Secretary to the Mechanical Board Reviewed by and dated:

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Scott Schott

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Scott Schott Chief, Plumbing Services